LOCAL INMATE DATA SYSTEM (LIDS) NEWSLETTER

AN OVERVIEW OF THE COMPENSATION BOARDS FUNDING INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FY07 & FY08

On Friday, December 16, Governor Warner presented his proposed budget for the FY07/08 biennium to the General Assembly. The Compensation Board's overview of the items in the proposed budget that directly affect Sheriff Departments and Regional Jails is provided below. Stay tuned for updates throughout the General Assembly session.

All Constitutional Officers

- Funding is recommended to provide a 3% salary increase effective December 1, 2006 for Constitutional Officers and their employees. The same increase is provided to state employees.
- Funding of \$2.7 million in each year of the FY07-08 biennium was included to fully fund the annualized cost of salary increases provided in FY05 and FY06.
- Budget appeal moratorium language previously preventing appeals of Compensation Board budgets has been removed.
- Language has been added to the caboose bill for FY06 and the Budget Bill for FY07-08 directing the Compensation Board to reallocate positions based on population, workload or inmate crowding level as soon as these factors indicate that a position is no longer justified and the position becomes vacant.

Sheriffs and Regional Jails

- Additional funding of \$673,281 and 21 positions in FY07 to support 12.5% of the current court services staff need and \$1.1 million and 33 positions in FY08 to fund 20% of the current need was included in the Budget Bill.
- Additional funding of \$850,583 and 29 additional positions is recommended to meet the FY07 cost of additional law enforcement positions due based upon the ratio of 1 deputy per 1500 of locality population.
 The allocation of these positions will be based upon each county's most recent population estimate as determined by the Weldon Cooper

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Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia, released in January 2006. Based on provisional population data from January 2005, the anticipated need is 36 positions in FY07.

- Additional funding totaling \$1,951,730 and 87 positions was provided in FY07 for staffing of new jail construction for the Eastern Shore Regional Jail and completion of an expansion project in the Northwestern Regional Jail. Funding and positions were not included in the caboose bill for the portion of the expansion project in the Northwestern Regional Jail scheduled to be completed in May of 2006, nor were funding and positions included for facilities and expansion projects scheduled to open in FY08 (Prince William/Manassas and Botetourt/Craig Regional Jails and Gloucester Jail).
- An exception to the moratorium on jail construction projects was authorized for Culpeper, Gloucester and Loudoun Counties and the Riverside and Rappahannock Regional Jails.
- Funding of \$324,974 and budget language was recommended to expand the Sheriffs Career Development Program to include offices that will meet the requirements of participation in FY07.
- Funding of \$761,496 is provided in FY07 to upgrade existing Livescan units and purchase new Livescan equipment in localities not currently operating with Livescan.
- Language is included that authorizes the Compensation Board to withhold reimbursement of sheriff and jail expenses based on notification by the Superintendent of State Police that there is reason to believe that crime data reported by a locality to the Department of State Police in accordance with §52-28, Code of Virginia, is missing, incomplete or incorrect. (Companion language was also included in the Department of Criminal Justice Services, Item 393, paragraph D, and the Department of Sate Police, Item 415.)
- Language has been amended to state that when overcrowding is reduced or eliminated in any jail, emergency correctional officer positions shall be reallocated to another facility due positions for jail overcrowding before such positions can be reallocated for court services within the existing sheriff's office.
- No additional funding was provided for further participation of offices in the Master Deputy Program.

Jails

• Funding of \$285,804 is provided in each year of the biennium to meet the increased costs of per diem payments for housing inmates in local and regional jail. The estimated need based on inmate population forecast data is \$4.8 million in FY07 and \$7.5 million in FY08. Funding was not included in the caboose bill to meet the anticipated need of \$656,804 for the remainder of FY06. Current language provides that per diem funding is to be budgeted based upon actual inmate populations each year, and funding needs are anticipated to be addressed separately each year.

IMPORTANT DATES

LIDS Submission Due—01/13/2006

3rd Quarter Vouchers (Sept—Nov 2005) - 01/17/2006

LIDS BASIC TRAINING March 16, 2006

Training will be held at the Hanover Sheriff Department Training Facility. To register for Training contact Mark Wood at 804-225-3276 or Anne Wilmoth at 804-225-3307.

THE AUDITOR'S CORNER

Starting with this issue of the LIDS Newsletter, the Auditors will be providing periodic updates on audit activities and issues that the auditors wish to share with LIDS Technicians across the state.

The Audit Staff and Compensation Board Management wish to congratulate the following jails on receiving Exceptional Audits during the 1st half of FY06.

Alexandria City	New River Regional
Augusta County	Newport News Jail Farm
Botetourt County	Northampton County
BRRJ - Bedford	Page County
BRRJ - Campbell	Pamunkey Regional
BRRJ - Halifax	Patrick County
BRRJ - Lynchburg	Roanoke City
Brunswick County	Roanoke City/Salem
Danville City	Rockbridge Regional

REMINDER

Detainee Status verses Committal Status

Recent questions have been raised about the difference between a "detainee" and someone who is "committed" to jail. The following information explains the difference:

From the Audit Guide, Appendix A, Glossary — "Detainee" is someone who has been arrested but not committed to the jail by the magistrate or court.

From the Audit Guide, Section 2.4 Local Managerial Responsibilities for LIDS, item 5,

"Management is responsible to ensure that only inmates committed to the custody of a Sheriff or Regional Jail Superintendent are recorded to LIDS."

The LIDS User Guide in the Committal Maintenance Section, Option 3 on page 30, lists the required documentation to commit someone to jail. According to the Supreme Court, a standard arrest warrant or personal recognizance does not carry the authority to record someone to LIDS.

Also, the time the individual is recorded to LIDS should typically be equal to or after the committal time on the committal order or other committal document. This is because a detainee is not committed to jail until the committal document has been issued. For example, an over-reimbursement may occur to the jail if a detainee is recorded to LIDS with a warrant on January 1, 2006, at 2100 but the committal is not issued until January 2, 2006, at 0100.